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THE JOKE ON HOYT.

Sequel of a Visit to a Medical College.

Mr. E. Hoyt of Fond du Lac made a visit to Chicago the other day, and while there paid a visit to some friends at the Rush Medical College, who were engaged in the dissecting room. Evidently the students thought Mr. Hoyt was rather fresh, at any rate as he passed round among the slabs where they were at work, each made a contribution from the corpse he was at work on to Mr. Hoyt's coat pockets, unbeknown to him. While one was calling his attention to a limb he was dissecting, another would cut off an ear, or a finger, or a toe, or a nose, or dig out an eye, and drop the same into Mr. Hoyt's overcoat pockets. Finally he bid the boys good-bye, thanked them for their courtesies in showing him around, told them if they ever came to Fond du Lac his pew in church was at their disposal, and he skipped for the train and got on board. The seats were all occupied, and a middle-aged lady, with a slim face and spectacles, and evidently an old maid, allowed him to sit beside her. The car was warm, and it was not long before the "remains" began to be heard from He was talking to the lady when he smelled something. The lady had been smelling it some miles back, and she had got her eye on Mr. Hoyt, and put her handkerchief to her nose. He took a long breath and said to the lady: "the air seems sort of fixed here in the car, does it not?" and he looked up at the transom. "Yes," said the lady, as she turned pale, and asked him to let her out of the seat, "it is very much fixed, and I believe you are the man that fixed it!" and she took her satchel and went to the rear of the car, where she glared at him as though he was a fat rendering establishment.

Mr. Hoyt was quiet a few minutes, then his attention was called to a new-married couple in the seat ahead of him. They had been having their heads close together, when suddenly the bride said: "Hennery, have you been drinking?" He vowed by all that was great and glorious that he had not, when she told him that there was something about his breath that reminded her of strong drink, or a packing house. He allowed that it was not him, but admitted that he had noticed there was something wrong, though he didn't know but it was some of her teeth needed filling. They were both mad at the insinuations of the other, and the bride leaned on the window and cried, while the groom looked the other way, and acted cross. Mr Hoyt was very much annoyed at the smell, and made up his mind it was his duty to speak to the groom about it. So he introduced himself and told the groom he ought to do something to cure those feet of his.

The groom looked at him indignantly, but Mr. Hoyt continued: "You may think it will wear off, but it won't. I knew a man in Fond du-Lac whose feet perspired as bad as yours, and it was almost impossible to stay in a room with him. He had to sleep with his feet out the window, and the neighbors complained to the health officers. One day he—" At this point the bridegroom called his wife, and they indignantly left the car. Mr. Hoyt was annoyed. The smell remained, and people all around him got up and went to the forward end of the car, or to the rear, and there were a dozen empty seats when the conductor came in, and lots of people standing up. The conductor got one sniff and said: "Whoever has that piece of Limburg cheese in his pocket will have to go in the emigrant car." They all looked at Hoyt and the conductor went up to him and asked him if he didn't know any better than to carry around such cheese as that. Hoyt said he hadn't got no cheese. The conductor insisted that he had, and told him to turn his pockets wrong side out. Hoyt jabbed his hands into his pockets and felt something cold and clammy. He drew his hands out empty, turned pale, and said he didn't have any cheese. The conductor insisted on his feeling again, and he brought to the surface a couple of human ears, a finger and a thumb. "What in the name of the apostles have you got there?" says the conductor. "Do you belong to any establishment that sends canned missionary to the heathen cannibals?" Hoyt told the conductor to come into the baggage car and he would explain all, and as he passed by the passengers with both hands full of the remains, the passengers were ready to lynch Hoyt. He told the conductor where he had been and how the boys had played it on him, and the fingers and things were thrown beside the track, where some one will find them and think a murder has been committed. Afterwards Hoyt went into the car and tried to apologize to the old maid, but she said if he didn't go away from her she would scream. Hoyt would always rather go away than have a woman scream. He is trying to think of some way to get even with the boys at Rush Medica College.

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The Devil's Blessing.

A gentleman in a town near Boston invited home to dinner one day a deacon of the church he attended The guest offered a blessing at the table, which proceeding greatly excited the curiosity of the gentleman's five-year-old son, who sat beside the deacon and interviewed him on the subject

"What was that you said?" he began.

"It was a blessing of the food we are about to eat," replied the deacon

"A what?"

"Why, a blessing. Don't your father ask a blessing at the table?"

"Oh, yes; but he don't say it in tha way."

"How does he say it?"

"Why, he sits and looks at the table, and says Oh, the devil is this all you've got for dinner?"

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To the Public.

Our object in presenting to your notice this copy of our BULLETIN, is two-fold. First, to amuse you in a leisure hour, and secondly profit, both to you and to ourselves, as it is obviously of as much importance to you to know where to buy your goods at the lowest prices as to us to secure your patronage. Hoping therefore that the advantage to be derived from its perusal will be mutual, we submit it to your kind consideration.

Our aim in the past has been to build up and increase our trade, more by square dealing and good bargains than by loud and extensive advertising, and to this policy we shall adhere, believing that in the long run the public can be depended on to find out where the best value for their money is to be obtained. We have received many novelties this season, and are constantly adding to our stock, and shall always endeavor to keep abreast of the times.

Among the goods lately received by us, perhaps none are more deserving of mention than our new importation of Vases, Toilet Sets, Perfume Bottles, &c., &c. They include everything that is desirable and tasty, and have been selected especially to meet the wants of our trade, and will well repay the trouble of an inspection.

Ever since we have been in this business we have made a specialty of Dolls, endeavoring to secure not only the cheapest and best but also the largest variety and stock ever seen in this place, and this year we have excelled all former efforts, and can offer the largest and best dolls for the money that we have ever sold. Our stock includes elegant Wax Dolls, Indestructible Dolls, China Dolls, Dolls, 50c., 25c.

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In Photograph and Autograph Albums we are offering a fine assortment, and at prices that cannot be equalled anywhere.

For a more complete list of our goods see other parts of this paper; and remember, that not one quarter of the articles we keep are enumerated therein; but it will serve to give you somewhat of an idea of the stock we keep, and when you are wanting anything in our line, please give us a call.

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Sugar Bowls.
Call Bells.

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Table Knives, Wood, fine goods, 6 for 99c,
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Ladies' Shopping, in all sizes.
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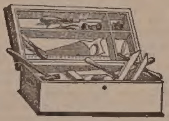
We are making a specialty this season of Lamps, and have a very large and magnificent assortment of all kinds, from the cheapest to the finest Parlor Lamps. Elegant Bronze Lamps, Japanese Finish, Assorted Figures, Nickel and Brass Trimmings, for $2.00—a lamp we have been selling at $3.00.

Tool Chests.



These are not only the best of toys, but also most useful. The tools are of such quality that many jobs and repairs about the house may be done with them, superior to any previously offered to the public. Chests containing 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30 tools, at different prices.

Wagons.

In the line of Wagons, Carts, Wheelbarrows, etc., we have a large assortment, all popular patterns, handsome and large, for little money.

WE KEEP A FULL LINE OF 99 CENT GOODS.

He went into Ruggles' Floral establishment, on Tremont street, and looked curiously about, and at last said, confidentially, "I want to give you a funeral order." 'Certainly, sir," said Mr. Ruggles, in his usual affable manner, "have you any suggestions to make as to style, or would you like to have us use our own designs?" "Well, I don't want all white flowers," said the bereaved, and Ruggles jotted down "a little color." "Cross, wreath, anchor or cushion?" he asked, tentatively. "No, they seem rather common." "What was the age of the person?" "Fifty-nine." 'Sheaf of wheat, broken column?' "No, no; they won't do. Say, " he cried, suddenly, giving way to his feelings, "could you make a broken broom? A broom with a yellow handle, you know. It was my mother-in-law, and I don't want to lie about the matter, and still I'd like to act handsomely. I guess a broken broom would do, and you need not mind the expense."

A Baltimore tailor worked all day to finish a suit of clothes for a customer who committed suicide Monday morning before paying his bill. 'Twas a mean trick.

He had been telling her stories of himself, and had done a great amount of bragging; when he had finished she kissed him and murmurred, "This is a kiss for a blow."

Mechanical Engine.

Furnished with substantial clock movements. The tiller wheel is adjustable, permitting the ngine being set to run by itself in a circle or traight line. Every boy wants one.

"Mabel, why, you dear little girl," exclaimed her grandpa, seeing his little grand-daughter with her head tied up, "have you got the headache?" No," she answered sweetly, "I'se dot a spit turl"

To a gentleman of taste, no present is more cceptable or more highly appreciated than one of ur beautiful Smokers' Sets. We have an almost ndless variety, and the price is very low. Remember this when you are making a friend a resent.

Charles E. Rice says: "I think the burlesque usiness has gone to smash. The bottom has ropped out of it. The houses are no longer filled as formerly: the leg business has certainly seen ts best days."

A well known Boston clergyman has an elab-rate bonnet placed on the pulpit before him very Sunday. He's going to make the ladies of is congregation keep up an appearance of giving ttention to him, anyway.

A Cambridge girl has married a Mr. Hugged. The courtship was just as easy as nothing, and the usiness was settled in a moment. One delicious vening as they sat together in the parlor, he said: My dear, will you be Hugged?" and she was Hugged.

The girl who was locked in her lover's arms for hree hours explains that it was not her fault. She ays that he forgot the combination.

The dumb waiter is a success. Can't somebody nvent a dumb barber?

Here are a few more of the goods sold by us for

99 CENTS.

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Walnut Stands.
Stereoscopes
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Hassocks.
The Young America Panorama Ark.
Noah's Arks, all prices.
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China Tea Sets, 50 and 99c.
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Express Wagons, 50 and 99c.
Mechanical Engine.
Fire Engine House.
Shaving Set, Mug, Brush, Strop and Razor.
Ink Stands. Toy Banks.
Ladies' Work Box. Writing Desks.
Croquet Sets, in boxes.
Chair Rockers.
French Plate Mirrors, 1-8 in. thick, won't break.
German Plate Mirrors.
Concert Harmonicas.
Dulcimers.
Harmonicas, 25, 50 and 99c. Violins.
Boys' Tool Chests, 50 and 99c.
Dominoes.
Dolls, all prices.
Unbreakable Doll Heads.
Genuine Meerschaum Pipes,
Chip Meerschaum Pipe, with Cigar Tube in Case.
Doll Bedsteads and Bureaus.
Children's Wash Sets.
Clocks.

This is only a small portion of the Goods we keep. Call and examine for yourself.

Patent Folding Camp Rocking Chair.

This is an Eastlake Folding Rocking Chair, made of hard wood in imitation of bamboo sticks, tapestry seat, and is a splendid chair for the house or veranda. Also, a lot of Children's Chairs.

Photograph Albums.

We have just received a large lot of elegant Photograph Albums, including many new and beautiful designs, 100 and 200 Pictures.

Also, new styles in Autograph Albums.

Vassar has one smart girl who will in the hereafter be heard of in woman's rights societies. She described "straw" as being a hollow thing with a ten cent man on one end of it and a twenty cent drink on the other end.

Young men should never lose presence of mind in a trying situation. When you take the girl you love to a picnic, and you wander away together to commune with nature, and she suddenly exclaims: "Oh George, there is an ant down my back!" don't stand still with your mouth wide open, don't faint, don't go for the girl's mother; go for the ant.

Dolls.

Next to the baby itself, probably the most important personage in the house is the baby's Doll—and as your's is the handsomest and most intelligent baby that ever lived, it naturally follows that it should have the best doll in town. This can be procured no where at so little cost and in such variety of styles, as at our store. We will not particularize—we have *everything* in the doll line.

A South End girl thanked a man who gave her his seat in a street car, and he married her and proved to be worth $400 000. [We circulate this lie in the hope of inducing girls to be a little more courteous.]

She was gnawing green corn from the cob, when her teeth got entangled with a corn silk. "Oh dear," said she, impatiently, "I wish when they get the corn made they would pull out the basting threads."

A waterspout—a temperance orator.

ALSO, GOODS AT HIGHER AND LOWER PRICES

Lava Goods.

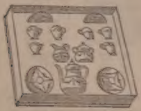
Lava Smoking Figures, Flower Pot Figures, Tobacco Boxes, Smokers, Sets, Baskets, Statuary, etc., in elegant design, in Silver, Gold and Antique Bronzing. A handsome, showy ornament and present for every one.

A widow was about to marry her fifth husband. Her pastor rebuked her for contemplating matrimony so soon again. "Well, I just want you to understand if the Lord keeps on taking them, I will too."

Toilet Sets, Etc.

Toilet Sets, Vases, Vase Sets, Flower Stands, Card Receivers, Wine Sets, etc., of the latest and most beautiful designs; also, China Moustache Cups, Figures and Ornaments.

Tea Sets, etc.



The favorite China Tea and Coffee Sets, Dinner and Kitchen Sets; also, Britannia Tea and Kitchen Sets, the favorite gift for little girls.

The woman who doubts entered a Detroit fish store the other day with hesitating step, and after looking around upon various piles of the finny tribe she turned to the proprietor and asked: "Do you keep fish here?" "No, madam," was his prompt reply. "We keep hardware and groceries here, but you will find a fish store four doors below. Come to the door and I will show you." She looked from him to the fish and back, hesitated, and he continued: "Can I sell you anything in the line of stoves to-day?" She shook her head and walked out. She didn't call at four doors below, which is a tobacco store, but she looked into the windows at the display of pipes, then back to the fish store, and somehow or other something puzzled her.

Doll Carriages.

We have a large assortment of 3 and 4-wheel Perambulators, both large and small, suitable for a child of any age and at very low prices. Nothing pleases a little girl so well as a nice carriage for her doll.

Manton Marble used to say that it was as easy to love a rich widow as a poor school-girl, and when he got ready to love, he loved a widow and $150,000.

An exchange says it's a very bad thing to get rich too rapidly. We never thought of that before. Here's another danger for us to worry about and strive to guard against.

Shaving Sets.

A Mug, Brush, Strop and Razor combined. Razor of superior quality; a welcome present for every gentleman.

A young lady said to an orthodox old lady: "I declare, you are dreadful fanatic, Mrs. McCizzon. I do believe you think that nobody will be saved but you and your minister." Old lady: "Aweel, my dear, I hae my doots about the meen'ster."

It it terribly embarrassing to come into town from a fishing excursion, and find there is not a trout in the market.

Musical Instruments.

Concert Harmonicas, Accordeons, Concertinas, Violins, Dulcimers, &c. Harmonicas, (three sides), Cornets, Horns, &c.

An invalid wife in Savannah walked the other day for the first time in ten years. She walked far enough to catch her husband kissing the nurse, and the shock completely cured her rheumatiz.

Fenderson was at the theatre the other night. "It was a burlesque, a take off, wasn't it?" asked Smith. "Yes," said Fenderson, "that's what it was, I guess. They had taken off about everything they dared to."

Novelty Banks.

This is the most popular bank in the market. On opening the door, the cashier appears with a tray, the coin is deposited upon it, a touch to the door causes it to close, and the cashier deposits the money in the bank.

Tin and Iron Banks, all styles and prices.

Trunks and Bags.

Ladies' Shopping Bags, Gents' Traveling Bags (with pockets), large and small Bags of every kind, of superior quality; Beautiful Toy Trunks, Saratoga pattern, with tray and partitions.

Clocks.

A nice Clock for 99c. These Clocks are very handsome and substantial, are good time-keepers, and will compare favorably with many sold at double the price. Time is money, and no person can afford to be without a clock, when it can be purchased for only 99c.

Some people can invent awful mean slurs. When the Jenkins girl was whaling away at the piano and pestered the next door neighbor, the next door neighbor came out on the steps, listened to the noise a minute, looked up to the Jenkins girl's mother who was at the window, and said, "Got plumbers at work in your house, haven't you?" No wonder these families don't speak now.

THE MEREDITH EAGLE.

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STOPPED.

Surprising falls the instantaneous calm,
The sudden silence in my chamber small;
I, starting, lift my head in half alarm—
The clock has stopped—that's all.

The clock has stopped! Yet why have I so found
An instant feeling almost like dismay?
Why note its silence sooner than its sound?
For it has ticked all day.

So many a life beside my own go on,
And such companionship unheeded keep;
Companionship scarce recognized till gone;
And lost in sudden sleep.

And so the blessings heaven daily grants
Are in their very commonness forgot;
[illegible]le heed what answereth our wants—
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[illegible]alleth on familiar ways,
[illegible] were gone beyond recall—
Something unthought of, linked with all our days—
Some clock has stopped—that's all.

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REST AT LAST.

We had up in Dicksonville, many years ago, a family of wanderers, who were always going off on strange quests. They were the Walkinshans, and our local wit said they ought to be called the Walkinoffs.

Cæsar Walkinshan ran off to sea, and turned up in Australia; Baker Walkinshan went to South America, and once in five years or so his family used to hear from him, as alternately very rich or very poor.

One sister, an excellent but very eccentric poor thing, named inappropriately "Mrs. Rich," remained in Dicksonville. She had a son, who bore the magnificent name of Wellington Rich, and who was correspondingly ambitious of a certain kind of fame.

Mrs. Rich dragged out a miserable existence, with a drunken husband and with a set of queer children; but she happened to be industrious and hopeful, and we all liked her.

She was the particular "help" who came to make the wedding-cake, and to assist at parties and dinners, and was a good sick-nurse, and very communicative and agreeable, so that she was for years a well-known feature of our domestic economy. She always had strange gifts from these wandering brothers of hers; and letters which were brought to us to decipher; so we were glad when Semanthe Rich came to clean the house, or to make cake, or to cook a dinner.

One day she told us that she had a strange bird, which a sailor had brought her, and which Cæsar Walkinshan had sent to her. You may be sure we went down to Maple Brook that very evening to see the strange bird.

It was a black satin bird, with a scarlet ring round his neck, and very bright, intelligent eyes.

"It is called the 'Latin Bower Bird,'" said Semanthe, reading with difficulty from a letter.

This bird had already fixed up his cage with bright ribbons and bits of glass and pretty scraps of calico, so that it looked like a fantastic bower; Semanthe said that "it seemed tame," so she had let him out, and he had helped himself to these bits of color.

A bird with an instinct for decoration! Well, that was queer enough.

When we went home we found that old Dr. Dusenbury was at the house. As we described Semanthe's bird, he said: "Children, you have seen the Plilonorhyuous Holosericaus, of Australia—a very wonderful and rare bird."

Dr. Dusenbury was a great naturalist, and what he said must be true; but still that name sounded improbable.

Plilonorhyucus Holosericaus! Hey diddle, diddle, but that sounded impossible!

However, we jumped down the front steps, two syllables at a time, until we got it by heart, and then we went down to see Tilly again, as we called him, for short.

He was a delightful bird. He knew more than most humans, and Semanthe was proud of decoration herself, so he played into her hands and she into his. He soon had built an arcade out in the wood, back of her cottage, and had hung ribbons and all sorts of paper scraps and bright things about it, then he would strut up and down as if he were Sardanapalus himself.

When Sally Burns the fortune-teller called upon Semanthe, and partook with her of the refreshment of a piece of mince-pie and a cucumber-pickle, she shook her head at this bird.

"Sally," said Semanthe, "you don't think he is a-going to bring bad-luck, do you?"

It did not appear to others as if bad luck had waited to be brought by this Australian bird; it looked, in the dire poverty of Semanthe's surroundings, as if bad luck had come of itself.

"I dunno'," said Sally; "he's either going to bring bad luck or good luck, I can't tell which. Where's Wellington?"

That representative of the field-marshal of England entered in a very ragged suit, and with no appearance of toilet, except a curly head and a clean face. He was a boy of about thirteen years, and singularly refined and handsome. He was Semanthe's only comfort in a miserable life, and she petted and spoiled him.

"Come and have your fortune told," said old Sally Burns, pulling out a pack of cards.

Wellington held out a brown, hard little hand, that the lines of Fate might be discerned.

"You are a-goin' to travel into far countries, and to see strange sights, and to cross a river, and to meet a fair-haired man, and to get your fortune by means of a bird," said Sally, repeating the lingo of an old fortune-teller.

At this moment, Dr. Dusenbury alighted at Semanthe's door to bespeak her attendance an old Mr. Rice, who had broken his thigh-bone.

"What are you doing, Sally?" said he, sternly. "Stop your fortune-telling, or I will complain of you. Don't put these foolish old dreams of yours into that child's head. Come here, Wellington, I shall want you to hold my horse. Come with me, and I will give you a decent suit of clothes. Don't listen to Sally. No one can read the future."

So Wellington went off very unwillingly with the good, cross old doctor, and left the fascinating picture of his future unfinished. For Semanthe's sake many of her employers tried to do something with Wellington; but he was a fascinating failure.

If the ladies wanted to get up a fair, he was very useful. He could gather flowers and evergreens, and trim up the town hall beautifully; and if they wished tableaux, Wellington had infinite capacity for arranging them. He appeared as the "Angel" and "David" and "Apollo," and any other character which required a beautiful face and a knowledge of the picturesque. But when it came to hoeing potatoes, or tending store, or holding the doctor's horse, Wellington was a perfect breakdown.

He had no grasp to his mind, and no industry, no regular and every-day perseverance and common sense. He never could be taught that the way to hammer fortune, as to hammer stone, is to keep at it. "Keep at it!—keep at it!—that is the talismanic word. That must be the translation of "Open Sesame" and of the phrase which Aladdin used when he rubbed the wonderful lamp.

So, just as the good doctor after three years of patient solicitude, had made Wellington into a very good assistant, a traveling caravan came along, and, led away by the fascinations of a performing pony, who played the piano with his fore-legs, Wellington ran away, and was not heard of for several months; for there was no telegraph in those days, and poor Semanthe had no money to send after him.

About three months after he left a letter came from Cæsar Walkinshan to his sister, saying, that if she could send Wellington to Boston, he would be taken out to Australia for nothing, and that he would insure the boy's fortune.

Poor Semanthe was in despair. She had letters written after the caravan, but they returned answer that he left them in New York, and they knew nothing of Wellington Rich. Several kind friends instituted inquiries for him, but the handsome, irresolute, good-for-nothing boy seemed to have escaped for ever.

Poor Semanthe worked on and wept, and the bower bird built his curious nests, and was really the amusement and comfort of her weary life. This bird grew so tame that he would come up to the village on her shoulder, play around the house where she was working, and go home at night with a bit of ribbon in his beak for the further adornment of his bower.

He had the thieving instincts of the magpie, and I suspect secreted some valuable things in his day; but he was such a favorite that every one agreed to compound the felony, and allow Tilly's fault to be called kleptomania instead of stealing. There have been earls and rich ladies who have received this same charity.

However, there came to Dicksonville one day a very important document. It was Cæsar Wilkinshan's will, in which he left a large sum of money to Wellington Rich, for Cæsar had died one day of a fever, and there was no more wandering for him.

Australia, in those days, was a different place from what it is now. It was then a penal colony of England, and filled with what was called a convict aristocracy. Men who had served a period of punishment for some crime, perhaps; judges who had falsified their oaths; bankers who had disregarded their trusts; and, alas! young men and old who had committed forgery—these had expiated their crimes, and had won back fortune and some amount of self-respect, and had begun a new life for themselves and their families.

Then there were the adventurers of all nations, drawn thither by the gold mines, as, later, to California.

Heaven puts gold as a magnet in remote places, to draw thither the "crowded out" of all the over-populated countries—far from the crowded centers.

Of this latter class, probably, had been our wandering Dicksonville man, Walkinshan.

But our poor waif, Wellington, not directed aright by the lines in his hand, had, with the wandering instincts of his race, on arriving at New York in the wake of the performing pony, gone down to the wharf, and finding a ship ready to sail for the Belize, and having a sort of idea that he should find his South American uncle, and, at any rate, knowing that he should have adventures and meet the great unknown, which had always an attraction for this family, he hired himself out in some capacity and sailed off.

Poor boy! He had seen an Australian ship that same day, and had doubted which uncle to sail for; and luck had proved a very poor guide—he started for the wrong uncle.

All this was found out long after, for a boy who was the recipient of a large bequest became a much more important boy for the Dicksonville lawyers to search after than one who had only a ragged shirt on his back.

Poor Semanthe had her mother's love always to excite her, and with that Australian piece of parchment in her hand, she became an important client.

We had talked over this strange story, and wondered if Wellington would ever come back, for three years, I suppose, when one day a tall, gaunt, weary, sick-looking young man walked down the main street of Dicksonville, with a pack on his back.

He looked to the left and right as he walked wearily, as Rip Van Winkle might have looked at the once familiar valley which he had left twenty years before.

He went to Maple Brook, where Semanthe sat at a door, sewing on a rag carpet.

Tilly, the bird, was walking about like a tame kitten, prinkling with his old air of fantastic vanity.

"Could you give me something to eat?" said the tramp, wearily.

Semanthe started up, and, half-alarmed, said:

"Yes, my poor man, as good as I have."

But Tilly flew up and uttered strange cries, extraordinary shrieks, and flew around the stranger wildly.

"Poor old Tilly! you are the only one who knows me," said Wellington, for it was the lost heir come back again.

Semanthe went through that fearful strain on the nerves which an unexpected joy produces. The French call it "La joie fait peur."

She went crazy for a time, and for the first time in her life her neighbors took care of her.

It was while his mother was in this sad condition that Wellington heard of his Australian inheritance. He had never been a sensible fellow, and this quite upset him. He may have lost, too, his wits with his health, which was quite gone, but he became wildly extravagant—bought clothes, borrowed money, told extraordinary stories of his adventures, and coughed with a hollow sound. Poor Wellington!

But where was the will? Without that he could not get his Australian money. Australia was far off; a gold miner's will was not strongly attested, or very carefully recorded. Still that piece of parchment was very real, and if that only could be found!

When poor Semanthe came to her wits, she said that she had put the will in an old broken teapot on the third shelf of the dresser, where she always kept her money.

The teapot had but a very tender responsibility so far as Semanthe's money was concerned, so perhaps it had grown careless and had guarded the will but imperfectly.

It was gone!

Then both Wellington and his mother were in despair. They suffered for the lost Australian money which they had never touched, as if they had rolled in luxury for years. Creditors, too, became pressing, and demanded of Wellington payment for the fine waistcoat he had bought on credit, but Wellington had no money to pay them with.

So wore on a dreary winter, and if the neighbors had not been kind, this poor mother and son would have starved; but as it was, they and Tilly lived on until the next May, when Wellington's cough grew very much worse.

Some children of the village went down to gather May-flowers in Maple Grove, and stopped to leave a pitcher of beef-tea for the sick man. As one little girl left the cottage, she dropped her bright scarlet neck-ribbon. Tilly saw it, and gravely walked away with it. The little girl behind the owner of the ribbon happened to notice this, and, following the bird, saw him enter one of those queer avenues of branches and flowers, which they call the nests of the bower-bird.

She crouched and looked in. There were bits of broken glass and china, ribbons, feathers and bits of paper.

The bird, after walking up and down, added the scarlet ribbon to the decorations, then walked out, and with the most innocent air in the world, mounted to his cage, shut the door and went to sleep. Then, taking a long stick, the child sought to recover the lost ribbon. As she did so, she pulled out a quantity of paper and the lost parchment—the Australian will.

Every child in Dicksonville had heard so much of this that the little girl knew what she had found, and carried it, dirty, torn, but still valid, to Semanthe.

Strange! no one had suspected Tilly! We never see the thing which is sure to have happened. The Australian bird had stolen the Australian will!

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The next day lawyers and doctors were at Semanthe's cottage. The bank was ready to loan five thousand on that piece of parchment; the lawyers were ready to take up Wellington's case. But Dr. Dusenbury shook his head. He held up the dying man in his old arms.

"I crossed a river—it was the Amazon," said Wellington, faintly, partly in delirium. "I found a fair-haired man. He took all that I had. I have found my fortune by means of a bird. So far I have proved Sally's fortune-telling. I shall cross a river, it is a dark one, a lonely one! I shall meet a Man who died for me—Jesus and a white dove. Yes, like the picture—yes, poor wandering feet, at rest at last. Good-by, mother!"

And so Wellington entered into his inheritance.

SHAKING HANDS.

There are only two or three people now living who can successfully shake hands. There is a good deal of hand-shaking done through the country, especially at this season of the year, but only a very small per cent. of the shakers and shakees know how to do it so as to get the entire amount of exhilaration out of it. Some grab the hand of an adversary in a quick, nervous manner that scares the victim nearly to death, while others slide the cold and clammy paw at you so that you feel the same as when you drop a cold raw oyster with vinegar on it down your back.

If you are shaking hands with a lady incline the head forward with a soft and graceful yet half-timid movement, like a boy climbing a barbed-wire fence, with a fifty-pound watermelon. Look gently in her eyes with a kind of pleading smile, beam on her features a bright and winsome beam, say something that you have heard some one else say on a similar occasion, and in the meantime shake her hand in a studied yet vigorous way, not as though you were trying to make a mash by pulverizing her fingers, nor yet in too conservative a manner, allowing her hand to fall with a sickening thud when you let go. Care should be taken also not to hang on to the hand more than half an hour in public, as bystanders might make remarks.

When a Texas couple stood up to be married, the minister saw the handle of a pistol protruding from the bridegroom's pocket and suggested that, out of respect to the solemn ceremony, it be laid aside. The advice was heeded. Then the bride demurely drew a dagger from her bosom and tossed it beside the other weapon.

A sister of the king of Sweden is a missionary in Lapland, and has sold her jewels to provide money for her work.

SELECTED.

Saw-mills were invented about 1332.

Every man has his forte, if he only knew how to hold it.

"What pressing necessity to crush the life out of us?" inquired the apples of the cider mill.

"Go to the ant thou sluggard!" is very good advice, but most of them go to their uncle.

"Out and come again," as the woodman said to the big oak. "Oh, blaze away," replied the tree.

No person ever got stung by hornets who kept away from where they were. It is so with bad habits.

Trees, during rain-storms, retain vast quantities of water. The soil covered with forests receive six-tenths the whole rainfall, the trees having intercepted four-tenths.

Persons who have occasion to suspect short weights in coal can easily detect the wickedness of the dealer by measuring their bins after the coal is housed. Two thousand pounds of anthracite coal will measure from 34 1-4 to 37 1-4 cubic feet, or about 36 cubic feet average.

Queen Victoria has now reigned longer than any other English sovereign who was ever crowned, except George III, Henry III, and Edward III. Queen Bess reigned forty-four years and 128 days. On the 25th of last month Queen Victoria passed that point. George III reigned sixty years—the longest in English history.

The old astronomers attempted to estimate the number of stars visible by the aid of their best instruments, and thought they had about finished the job when they settled down upon 6000 as a not extravagant count. Now, by the powerful instruments with which astronomers survey the heavens, the number is computed at 20,000,000, and conjecture is lost in reach for the myriads beyond.

An anti-bobtail movement in St. Louis has signally failed. One-horse cars without conductors were denounced vigorously enough, and it was resolved to ride in such vehicles without paying fare; but when it came to carrying out the threat, the few passengers who attempted it were ejected so promptly and amid so much ridicule that the reform made no progress.

The famous big trees of California, 350 to 400 feet high and proportionately thick, are on public land, subject to entry at $1.25 an acre, and may be bought up and destroyed by whoever wishes to make such use of them. The bark has already been peeled from the butt of one for a showman, who sets it up at fairs as an exhibition, and another has been cut down in order to make a dancing platform of the stump.

A Michigan backwoodsman, young and handsome, but untutored and rude, has married the accomplished daughter of a wealthy tourist, and taken her to his cabin in the forest, where he chops wood for a living. Her father, unable to recover her by law, since she was old enough to legally choose a husband for herself, has sensibly taken board at a Milwaukee hotel, where he is now patiently waiting for the girl to voluntarily return. "I may be delayed three months," he says, "but I don't believe it will be as many weeks. These little incidents of travel are worrysome, yet not very serious."

A wealthy old lady lately found a fashionably dressed, distinguished looking young lady weeping at a tomb at Pere-la-Chaise. Passing an hour later she found her still there. Much touched, she accosted her sympathetically, and presently learned that she was addressing the young Countess de Montrand, who, in course of the conversation which followed, said that she had come on to Paris to visit, on All Saints' Day, the tomb of the deceased count. A telegram had reached her that $400 had been sent to defray her expenses, but it had not arrived, and she was embarrassed by the delay. The lady advanced at once $700, all she had, and promised to call at the countess' hotel. She did, but has never succeeded in finding the bereaved one.

THE PRESIDENT'S COFFEE.

Everybody knows that M. Grevy never takes wine, not even at dinner. But, like M. Thiers, he is a passionate lover of coffee. To be certain of having his favorite beverage of the best quality, he always, when he can, prepares it himself. Some years ago he was invited, with a friend, M. Bethmont, to a hunting party by M. Menier, the celebrated manfacturer of chocolate, at Noisiel. It happened that M. Grevy and M. Bethmont lost themselves in the forest, and, in trying to find their way, they stumbled over a little wine house, and, tired out, stopped for a rest. They asked for something to drink, M. Bethmont found his wine, but, as usual, M. Grevy would not drink. He wanted coffee, but be was afraid of the decoction which would be brought him. He got a good cup, however and this is how he managed it: "Have you got any chicory?" he said to the man. "Yes, sir." "Bring me some." Soon the proprietor returned with a small can of chicory. "Is that all you have?' asked M. Grevy. "We have a little more." "Bring me the rest." When he came again with another can of chicory, M. Grevy said: "Have you no more? "No, sir." "Very well, now go and make me a cup of coffee."

HELPING A GOOD CAUSE.

A means of getting rid of mutilated currency has been discovered in the St. Louis churches, where the coins are dropped in the collector's box. Prominent ministers there are reported as saying that the effort to pass mutilated money has been productive of more profit to the church than when all sorts of silver bric-a-brac was passable. A man now who holds a punctured half dollar, after essaying to pass it off for merchandise and being unsuccessful, finally resorts to the collection box, and, with the shortsightedness peculiar to roguery, he drops a half dollar or quarter where formerly a nickel or a dime sufficed. The money, when it accumulates, is sent to the United States mint, where it is received and paid for as bullion, entailing a loss of five per cent.

DECEPTION.

TRICKS OF THE VENTRILOQUIST.

Anybody who thinks it worth his while to practice it can be a ventriloquist more or less skillful, according to the time he spends on it and the gift of mimicry which he naturally possesses. Nobody can "throw the voice," and the art of ventriloquism is simply the trick of making the voice seem, by its modulations, to come from one or another place to which the attention of the hearer has been previously been directed. And, finally, if there is any one particular thing for which a belly is not needful, it for so-called ventriloquism. In fact, there is no such thing as ventriloquism, and that which people mean when they use that word should more properly be called polophony, or the art of many sounds. That, at least, is what one ventriloquist says about it; and as he is not only an exceedingly fine performer of parlor magic, but an excellent ventriloquist as well, his opinion in the matter is worth something. And he went on:

"The best evidence that there is no such thing as throwing the voice, is in the fact that no ventriloquist, or polyphonist, can make his voice sound any nearer to you than he is himself—that it must always be away from you. To produce the deception of seeming to throw the voice the first requisite is a knowledge of, and skill in modulating the tones produced in very nearly the ordinary way of speech, so as simply to make them louder or lower, according to the distance of the hearer from the place whence they are supposed to come, and the obstacles in the way, imaginably, of the sound. I said very nearly the ordinary way of speech, because all the polophonostic fraternity practice a peculiarly unnatural sort of head voice. I don't know why they do it, though I do it myself, and am not enough of a physiologist to describe how the organs of speech are used to produce it; but anybody who tries to sing falsetto will readily understand it for himself. That head voice is no doubt used for the reasons that even in a half voice, or less, its sharpness makes it distinct, and that it emphasizes the dialect language which is the polyphonist's chief stock in trade.

"It is a trick to deceive the sense of hearing, as I constantly employ in my magic business other tricks and gestures to deceive the sense of sight. You say to an audience, 'Now we are going to hear from Joseph, who is behind that door,' and if you lower your voice to about what you think the volume of Joseph's voice would be after penetrating the closed door, they will more than meet you half in an effort to make themselves believe that it is Joseph's voice coming from the place you point out. You say, 'The old man is up stairs; Teddy is in the cellar,' and as you look up or down, their imaginations travel away ahead of you, fully prepared to accept as coming from aloft or below the suppressed head voice which comes from your mouth. Indeed, there is hardly a limit to human credulity.

"A few years ago, a very clever polyphonist, when traveling through the northwest with a well-known magician, originated a very bold trick upon a guileless audience. He said to them: 'I shall do in your presence a feat never before attempted by any other ventriloquist than myself—that of causing these two figures to sing a duet, so that you will hear distinctly the two voices at one and the same time.' And he did it, for a versatile assistant sang the second part with him behind the scenes, and as he worked the jaws of the figures the audience really believed that he alone, by his wonderful art, was singing the duet. Anybody of ordinary common sense stopping to think for a moment would have known that the thing was clearly impossible; but audiences expect to be amused, not to be troubled to think. Why, do you know that when 'second sight' first came out there were thousands of people who belived that it was simply a wonderful exhibition of ventriloquism, a most absurd theory, the groundlessness of which was manifest to any one who knew anything of the laws of sound, and, as I said before, stopped to think.

"A very simple trap to catch the credulity of the unsuspecting public is the two little manikins with working jaws which many ventriloquists now show seated upon their knees, and with which they go through most of their performances. One of these is a darky, generally, and the other an Irishman; or one may be an old woman and the other a Yorkshireman, or any other couple you please. The heads of the manikins and the head of the performer are so close together that no person in the audience could possibly tell, if all three heads were alive and speaking, from which a voice proceeded, except by its dialect or peculiar intonation; and that is where the usefulness of a good command of dialect comes in well. The so-called ventriloquial act, under these conditions, is nothing more than a dialect performance, generally so slangy, witless, and poor, that if attempted by the performer in his own proper person, instead of under the cloak of his manikins, it would end in his being pelted off the stage, but it goes splendidly under the name of ventriloquism.

"The ventriloquial performer must select his words with a view to avoiding, as far as possible, the labial and dental consonants. It is this consideration more than anything else, certainly more than the beauty of its melody, which has made the 'Miller of Dee' a stock song for ventriloquists. Just to show the rocks in its currents, as it were, here is the way it goes:—

'There was a jolly old miller,
Lived on the banks of the Dee,
He worked and sang from morn till night,
No lark more blithe than he.'

"The letters italicized are the stumbling blocks, and must be slurred over, which is easy in imitating the voice of an old man.

"The best test of a ventriloquist's ability—you see I give them that title, but always under protest—is to produce varied sounds and modulations of tone, in both singing and speaking, without any visible movement of the muscles of the mouth and throat. One performer used to keep his face smoothly shaven, and would sit full front to the audience, with his throat bared, and in the strongest light procurable, while performing, and not the faintest motion could be detected, even when he was using his full voice. Another man used to show something of that skill, but only by a very ingenious trick. Standing well down the stage, near the footlights, he would affect to bid good night to an imaginary old man going up stairs. His 'good-night' would be replied to by the old man's voice so instantly that the audience had not eyes quick enough to catch his mouth moving for the formation of that gradually diminishing echo, and imagined that the only motion was when he spoke in his own person with ostentatious absence of concealment of effort.

"Most magicians do more or less in the ventriloquial way, but few practice enough at it to become proficients, and even of those who are ventriloquists alone there are few who do not seek to conceal their faces from the audience to as great a degree as possible while performing, and who do not, for the imitation of sounds other than the human voice, employ adventitious aids. The sawing of wood, bark of a dog, crow of a cock, neigh of a horse, bird songs, and many other noises are best imitated by the adroit use of a bit of a leek stalk."

FOOD FISH.

Seth Green says: "In the year 1875 I succeeded in obtaining about five hundred eggs of the California mountain trout from Mr. Newell, of San Francisco. I had been at work for some time previous trying to get a quantity of the eggs of this species, but was not successful until the year above mentioned. Of the five hundred spawn thus obtained, we succeeded in raising two hundred and seventy-five to the age of three years old. At this age they commenced to spawn, and in the spring of 1878 we obtained about 64,000 eggs and distributed all but about 17,000 young fry, which we retained at the hatchery to raise as breeders. In the spring of 1879, there were of the old fish still alive 260, and they being older and larger than the previous year, produced 98,500 eggs. These, with the exception of 34,000, were distributed.

In the spring of 1880 there remained 250 5-year-olds, from which we obtained 92,000 spawn, of which we distributed 63,400 young fry. In the spring of 1881 the 17,000 we commenced to raise in 1878 were three years old; there were remaining about 16,000 from which we succeeded in distributing in the waters of New York state, over 1,200,000 young fry. This season they will be four years old, and the supply will undoubtedly be much larger than last. The New York state fish commission were the first to introduce this fish in the East, and they are a valuable addition to our better class of food fishes. They are very hardy and gamy and will thrive in a higher temperature of water than the brook trout, and will also do well in the same waters with them. I am also of the opinion that they will thrive in our pure water inland lakes, provided they are fed by small spring rivulets in which to place the young fry.

In waters where these fish have been deposited they have done well, and I have received the most encouraging reports from them. They seem to be easily acclimated to our waters, and the percentage that have lived is very large, showing that the food and water in this section are wholly adapted to their welfare. They commence spawning about March 1, and continue until about May 15. The eggs are about thirty days in hatching, and the fish, when mature, weigh from two to four pounds. Taking into consideration the small number of spawn which we started with, I consider this one of the greatest successes in artificial fish culture.

A FABLE.

A Fox who found hard picking in a certain neighborhood one day visited a farmer's dog, and said:—

"I have lately undergone a change of heart, and I wish you to make known the fact to your master's Fowls. They treat me as if I was a murderer, and it really hurts my feelings to see them hurry into the coop at sunset. The farmer, too, seems to distrust me, for he has made the coop so tight I cannot find a single knothole. What sort of a way is that to treat a Fox who is doing his best to earn an honest living?"

"I presume you would like to state your case to the Fowls in person?" observed the Dog.

"That's it—that's the very idea," replied the Fox. "Say to them that I should like to meet them in convention under this tree to-morrow at noon. I will then explain my feelings towards them, and trust that the Fox and the Fowls will hereafter live in the greatest harmony. Indeed, the only difference between us is the fact that I have no wings, and they shouldn't hold me in suspicion on that account."

The Dog agreed to act as mediator, and at noon the next day the Fox crept carefully through the weeds to the rendezvous and crouched down to await the coming of the Fowls. There was presently heard a great whirr and clatter, and two-score hens alighted in the branches of the tree over the Fox.

"The convention will now proceed to business," said an old Hen, as she peered down upon the Fox.

"Just so," grinned the Fox. "Please come down and we will proceed."

"Thanks; but if it's all the same to you we'd rather you'd come up here," replied the Hen.

"But I can't fly."

"And we are poor runners."

The Fox not being able to fly up, and the Hens refusing to fly down, the former was skulking off, when he met the Dog, who said:—

"My friend, the difference between undergoing a change of heart and desiring to undergo a change of diet and position is so obscure that many people never stop to fish for it. As a Fox, you were respected for your cunning; as a hypocrite, even the old Hens despise you."

Leadville now numbers 26,000 people, and fifteen out of Colorado's twenty-three millions' worth of ore mined last year were from the Leadville district.

FARM TOPICS.

Sunflower seeds fed in small quantities impart a beautiful gloss to the plumage of poultry.

Apples keep better in damp, moist cellars than in dry ones. In the latter they become dry and shriveled. In the former plump and juicy.

It is the opinion of many that a fowl fattened quickly will make a far more juicy and toothsome meal than a chick. One thing is certain, a three-years-old fowl will make much better broth for an invalid than a six-months' chicken.

Stable manure is preferable to any other fertilizer. No farmer can afford to waste his manure. All of it should be saved and utilized. In many cases farming would be more profitable if less land was cultivated, with higher fertilization. One acre highly manured should pay better than three but half manured and half cultivated.

Why will grass not grow under our trees? M. Paul Bert has shown that green light hinders the development of plants. Plants inclosed in a green glass frame wither and die as though they were in darkness. M. Regnard finds that plants specially require the red rays. If sunlight is deprived of the red rays, the plants soon cease to thrive.

When young poultry has been allowed to contract the habit of roosting in the trees no time should be lost in breaking them of it. Confinement to the poultry house and yard for a day or two will generally effect a cure. Get your dust baths ready for winter. Sand and finely-sifted coal-ashes, with a pound of sulphur to each bushel of the mixture, is the best. This should be put in large boxes and kept out of the rain. Whitewash the houses, putting in a gill of crude carbolic acid and a pint of common kerosene oil to each pailful of slaked lime.

A well-known seedsman makes known through one of the papers the following method for excluding the frost by means of kerosene. The temperature in his vegetable cellar sometimes went a few degrees below freezing, making the air just cold enough to spoil the contents. He procured a kerosene stove, which had six large burners and held two gallons of oil. Whenever his two thermometers in the cellar indicated danger, he lighted the kerosene, by which he raised the temperature ten degrees when necessary, proving a convenient, simple and cheap way to prevent loss.

Whatever may be said of the present market value of Cotswold fleeces, the mutton and lambs of this breed are in active request and at remunerative prices. Cotswold mutton is only exceled by that of the Southdown; while the lambs of the former are superior to those of the latter, surpassing them in weight even at three months of age. In the economy of the farm it should be remembered that mutton is conceded to be equally as nutritious as beef, shrinking less in cooking, and rapidly gaining in consumption by our own people. The export trade in mutton promises at no distant period to assume immense proportions. Under proper conditions, mutton can be produced as cheaply as beef, even if the wool was counted as nothing. Hence, the advantage must always remain with sheep husbandry, as compared with the production of beef.

Good butter may be spoiled in churning. Over-churning ruins the texture and changes the proper waxiness to a disagreeable, sticky greasiness. This is the more easily done in a churn with revolving dashes, which will press the butter against the sides of the churn and squeeze and rub it until it is spoiled. Too long churning spoils the quality by the oxidation of the butter and the premature formation of strong flavored acids in it, the full presence of which we call rancidity. It may be spoiled by churning at too high temperature, by which it is made soft and oily, and of a greasy texture and flavor. No subsequent treatment can remedy this error. It may be spoiled before the cream reaches the churn by keeping it too long, or what is practically the same, by keeping it in too warm a place; 50 degrees is about the right temperature if cream is kept a week; if it is kept at 62 degrees, three days are long enough. White specks are produced in butter by over-churning, or by having the cream too sour. Either of these faults produces curd in the milk, and the small flakes of this cannot be washed out of the butter. Milk from a cow in ill health, and that is acid when drawn, will produce specky butter. So will the use of salt containing particles of lime, which unite with the butter and form insoluble lime soap. White specks are covered up to a great extent by using good coloring, which is made of oil as the solvent. But this use of coloring, being to disguise a fault, and to add an undeserved virtue, is worthy of denunciation.—*Rural New Yorker.*

SINGULAR.

A curious fact was noticed in a recent trial of which, however, a very simple explanation might be given. A ball of any caliber fired through glass may make a hole enough smaller than the full size of the ball before firing, to prevent an unfired ball of the same caliber passing. A base-ball, thrown with great force and having a rotary twist, makes a round hole through an ordinary window, but if an attempt is made to repass the ball it will be found that the hole is nearly one third too small. The explanation of this is to be found in the elasticity of the glass. As the ball strikes it the substance gives so that the opening is the same in effect as that of shutters might be, the one side of the surface struck gives way and as the ball passes through rebounds again by natural reaction—the result, of course, being a hole which, in its settled condition, is too small to allow of the passage of a body of the same caliber as that which has made it.

When Mrs. Reed, of Leona, Chatauqua county, N.Y., was elected school trustee, she immediately drew on her husband for money to paint and carpet the school-house.

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MEREDITH MATTERS.

Mrs. Knight has been visiting here.

Skating has been good in the coves.

There is talk of a course of lectures here.

Mrs. J. T. Sanborn has been sick with gastric fever.

Miss Edgerly has returned to her home in Gilmanton.

W. G. Slack has been to Boston to attend a wedding.

Lewis I. Eaton has become a clerk in E. C. Mansfield's store.

Mrs. A. B. Fogg of Pa. is to stop here a portion of the winter.

N. C. Webster of Center Harbor is to work at the Elm House.

One of Albert Pitman's cows was recently mired and nearly killed.

John Knowlton has sold his farm to Sylvester Brown of Sanbornton.

Dustin & Colby will furnish music for the annual New Year's ball.

Martis' troupe played "Uncle Tom's Cabin here Thursday night.

M. S. Swain has sold some wood and timber to A. L. Morrison of Laconia.

The late pound party of the Ladies' Circle at the Center was a success.

Rev. Mr. Blakely of Campton exchanged with Rev. Mr. Bard, Sunday the 11th.

Noah Glidden's buildings have been greatly improved by painting, shingling, etc.

There was a pleasant social party of young people at V. R. Bixby's the other night.

Mrs. James Paine has been to Cornish, Maine, to attend the funeral of her sister.

D. B. Pratt, agent for O. K. Gerrish, nursery man, Portland, Maine, is canvassing here.

J. F. Woodman of Bridgewater, Mass., has been visiting his mother, Mrs. J. H. Stone,

The G. A. R. have given the Ladies' Relief Corps $28.00, a portion of the proceeds of the late fair.

The Rebekahs gave Mr. and Mrs. Graham a marble topped table during a visit made the other night,

Warren Leavitt, chorister for 25 years at the Centre, has resigned and J. H. Robinson is his successor.

David Corliss, farmer and blacksmith and a life long resident, died here on Monday last aged about 70 years.

Henry Pitman of Concord paid for painting the Center school house and David Corliss finished it before he died.

E. W. Heath, an employee of the Twist Drill company, had a part of a forefinger taken off in a lathe the other day.

Dr. Palmer has been to Jefferson to attend the funeral of his sister, Miss Ella Palmer, formerly a pupil in the High school here,

The grand union Christmas festival promises to be successful as a committee of 60 has been appointed to carry out the arrangements.

Mrs. F. Glidden is making an 800 piece patchwork quilt which was pieced by Mrs Flanders, a blind woman of Madison, in very good style.

Mr. Smith's dog of New Hampton lately broke through one of the Center ponds and would have been drowned if some one had not pulled him out.

A kerosene lamp nearly burned up Mrs. S. J. Brown's millinery establishment the other night, and Miss Pierce's hands were badly burned in consequence.

Complaint is being made that too much stuff is thrown into the waters about here from whence many of our citizens get their water for drinking and other purposes.

One windy day recently J. A. Lang lost a lot of bills, one package containing $100. Willie Robinson saw a part of them and soon found them nearly all, though they were considerably scattered.

David S. Furnald, about 45 years old and his son-in-law, Frank Kirby, about 22 years of age, went fishing on Squam Lake Wednesday. Being absent too long, search was made for them, and their bodies were found the following day where they had broken through the ice. Both leave families.

A NOVELTY.—We are promised something new by "Uncle Tom's Cabin" company who appear at the Town Hall on Tuesday evening, that is, the company will play the original text and not the garbled version that is being played by other companies throughout the country. This company is the consolidation of Martis' Jubilee Singers and Martis' "Uncle Tom's Cabin" company making it decidedly the strongest company on the road. Seats for sale at the usual places. Prices 25 and 35c

ASHLAND ALLEGATIONS.

Miss Amy Morse is visiting at Campton.

Lakes are frozen and there will be good skating soon.

Bracy and Hall took in six rabbits with their guns Tuesday.

Miss Susie Deane has quite a large display of holiday goods.

A good blacksmith is wanted at Pease & Batchelder's shop.

Miss Nellie Brown of Groton is visiting her aunt, Mrs. G. F. Rogers.

A guard railing has been put up in front of J. S. Drew's restaurant.

Mrs. S. J. Brown has put out a new sign at the entrance to her store.

Mr. William Morse of Stoneham, Mass., has been visiting at David Pierce's,

The Earnest Workers met at Miss Alice Appleyard's last Wednesday evening.

Herman Lougee sprained his ankle very badly Tuesday while alighting from a carriage.

The Ashland Division, S. of T., No. 45, will have a dialogue at their hall on Tuesday evening.

Some of the telephones have been put in and we expect that the line will be in working order soon.

The Earnest Workers held a fair at the Town Hall, Friday evening. The details will be given in our next issue.

Mrs. S. J. Brown reminds her friends and patrons through our columns that she has a complete stock of holiday goods.

Frank Seavey has returned to his work for Wilder & Co, after being laid up for the past two or three months with a broken arm.

Hodgdon & Pollard have a stunner of an advertisement in which they offer great attractions for the holidays. Read it, remember it, and profit by it.

Ed Blake of Center Harbor was in town on Wednesday after an extended deer hunt at the East Branch in Lincoln. He looks as if they had fed him well.

A house owned by S. W. Fletcher and situated about two and a half miles from this place was destroyed by fire on Sunday afternoon. The fire was incendiary.

The old Shepard house was burned Sunday night at about 4 P. M. It is supposed to be incendiary as no one lived in it. Fires are getting to be pretty common.

Daniel E. Connell, a young man employed in the weave room at the Ashland mills, had a gash cut in his head nearly six inches long by some of the machinery used there.

Willie Currier walked off from the end of the platform in front of J. S. Drew's a few evening ago falling about six feet. No bones were broken but there were a few bruises and scratches.

We understand that Mr. J. S. Wilson has severed his connection with Wilder & Co., and is soon to go on the road selling goods for a Boston firm. He started for his home Thursday.

Rufus Mead had a yoke of steers and a cart drawn backward down an embankment of 60 feet into the Pemigewasset river one day this week. No damage was done except a broken horn on one of the steers.

A. E. Porter, agent for Santa Claus, offers a long list of articles that make a regular catalogue of Christmas presents including about everything that anybody would care to buy. Read his advertisement elsewhere and be convinced.

Pease & Batchelder are doing a large business in the commission line. They have a large stock of ready made clothing and gents' furnishing goods for sale lower than the lowest. Those wishing to save 25 der cent had better examine their stock before purchasing elsewhere.

Rev. Q. H. Shinn of Plymouth will preach in the Town Hall at two o'clock in the afternoon next Sunday. A cordial invitation is extended to all especially to those who attend *no* church.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

H. Blake, Bristol; E. V. R. Evans, F. L. Fuller, E. H. Carlton, J. A. Towle, C. E. Bennett, B. H. Wilson, C. F. Wilder, Boston; F. P. Carey, Meredith; G. O. Dickerman, Concord; B. S. Agnew, Philadelphia; S. C. Otis, Sutton, Vt.; J. N. Learned, Connecticut; J. F. Goodwin, Plymouth; C. E. Argusinger, Albany; S. N. Wardwell, R. I.; E. E. Blake, Centre Harbor; F. N. Getchell, Wolfeboro'; Wm. Graham, Portland; R. W. Miller, Portland; J. F. Toole, M. F. Toole, Clinton; H. E. Houghton, Nashua; F. E. Gray, agent Uncle Tom's Cabin; S. S. Jewett, Laconia.

James M. Hart has a good traverse sled for sale. Also a five year old colt. jesa-dec16-3t*

Over forty of the Household sewing machines were sold in the month of November by Eben Hoyt of Laconia jesa-1t

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A Word to Mothers.

Mothers should remember it is a most important duty at this season to look after the health of their families and cleanse the malaria and impurities from their systems, and that nothing will tone up the stomach and liver, regulate the bowels and purify the blood so perfectly as Parker's Ginger Tonic, advertised in our columns.—*Post.* See another column. js-tjanl

WENTWORTH.

Charles P. Stanyan, who has worked in the Tilton hosiery mill for the past year, has lost but two days during that time, one on account of sickness and one to attend the funeral of his grandfather. Both of these he has made up by working nights. Of the 50 hands employed, but one has been as punctual as he. Would it not be a good idea for the young men of this place to follow Charlie's commendable example of enterprise and perseverance?

Elegance and Purity.

Ladies who appreciate elegance and purity are using Parker's Hair Balsam. It is the best article sold for restoring gray hair to its original color, beauty and lustre. js-tjanl

Mrs. J. Blodgett is stopping for a few days with Mrs. Van Merrill after which she intends to go to Manchester to spend the winter with her sister.

The Village school commenced last week with Miss Susie Simpson of Rumney as teacher.

Mr. Newell Stanyan recently received a letter from Capt. Samuel Francis, of San Francisco, Cal., in whose employ Frank P. Stanyan has been for several years. His reports of him are flattering. He chose him from many employees on account of his being strictly temperate and perfectly reliable in all business transaction, as the most competent one to send to Mexico to oversee a mining expedition and superintend the engine. His many friends are pleased to hear of his prosperity. TEMPLAR.

The Household.

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We call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of E. W. Willard & Co., of Concord, which appears in our columns to-day for the first time. This firm succeeded Boynton & Willard under the clock. We have paid their attractive store a visit this week and find a stock that would do credit to many Boston firms. We noticed genuine bargains in blankets, comforters, underwear, hosiery and worsted goods, also some kid gloves which they are closing out at half price to make room for the renowned Foster kids of which they carry an immense stock in three and five hooks in black and colors from 5 3-4 to 7 3-4 inclusive. Among the Christmas goods which are daily arriving at their store they have just received 205 dozens handkerchiefs for ladies, gents and children in linen and silk. The goods come direct to them from the manufacturers and importers which enables them to sell them at very low prices. They say that they have sold more underwear this season than for two winters previous. It will pay to visit the Corner Store under the Clock, Concord, N. H. jesa

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PLYMOUTH PARAGRAPHS

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Miss Alice Rogers of Orford has lately been here.

Remember Prof. Churchill's reading next Friday night.

S. C. Webster has been ill recently.

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S. H. Palmer has taken his enfeebled father to his own home.

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George Gower has lately moved into the John Sanborn house.

Leonard Colburn has recently been janitor at the Normal school.

Mrs. Butterfield of Chicago has given the Library five new books.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Lougee have returned from their western trip.

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H. N. Wells' post office address is now Deming, (instead of Silver City) New Mexico.

Rev. F. H. Allen of New Boston, preached at the Congregational church last Sabbath.

Fred Smith has recently been acting as clerk for Plummer Fox while he was in Boston.

Edward Greenleaf has been cutting gloves for F. H. Rollins and J. F. Sanborn for G. M. LeQuesten.

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Irving Chase is once more in the post office, he and his bride having returned home early this week.

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There were social gatherings at the Congregational and Methodist vestries and at H. S. Chase's Wednesday evening.

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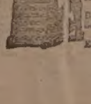

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Sunday,	4	12	10	clear.
Monday,	10	25	24	snowy.
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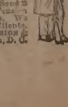

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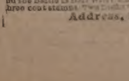

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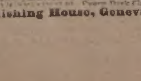

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TEMPERANCE.

Denmark now has an organized temperance movement with about 3000 enrolled members, and one temperance paper, the name of which is Danmarks Totalafholdsblad.

Down at Ewing, Ind., whisky is very properly called "coffin varnish;" one saloon in that vicinity has caused the death of six men within the last year, and the mill is still grinding.

Martin K. Walker, a farmer much addicted to drink, residing near Ithaca, Gratiot county, Mich., went into one of his fields recently, stripped himsel naked, fired a brush-heap, and blew out his brains. His body was recovered in a half-charred condition. He attempted suicide last June. He left a letter expressing confirmed hopelessness in himself, and warning his children to avoid whisky.

It is reported that Poet Burns, after he became a slave to strong drink, he once said that "if a barrel of rum was placed in one corner of the room, and a loaded cannon in another pointing toward him, ready to be fired if he approached the barrel, he had no choice but to go for the rum." If the chain which binds a man, when wound about him in its full strength, is so great, what shall be said of those who thoughtlessly forget the first links? Are you forging any?

The liquor demon is no respecter of persons. He invades the households of the high and the low, the rich and the poor, the educated and the ignorant. He fastens his terrible toils about fathers and mothers, daughters and sons, sisters and brothers. No one can tell whom he may attack. Heart-aches, poverty, misery, and crime are the grim companions that stalk by his side. He is subtle, insiduous, and sure. He makes no mistakes. Whom he attacks he conquers. Riot, spoliation, blood and tears follow everywhere in his course. He is relentless, implacable, unpitying. He gives no quarter, and he takes none. He expects no defeat, or be defeated. He will accept no truce, he will make no compromise. He destroys, or must be destroyed. Let us therefore rise up and throttle the monster to death with prohibition.—*Signs of the Times.*

The careful stranger going into a village school for the first time, picks out the drunkard's children with unerring certainty. Not by their dress, for though rum stains it, the wife's diligence takes it out; but he reads it in the corners of the child's mouth, in his eyes, in his drooping cheek; he sees signs of the sorrow and the agony which God meant to try heroes with, but never meant for blameless babes. Shall I tell of the wife—the domestic effect of intemperance upon her, the suspicion kept from her own consciousness at first, then a belief in her husband's shame, only manifest in her weeping prayers to God, and in her tender yearning love to him who deserves her love the less, but gets her pity the more? Shall I tell the full effect of her husband's shame, of her effort still to screen his infirmity from the public gaze? I have heard of armed men rushing into battle and bringing out a brother, a friend, a general, a king; but a loyal woman defends her husband from worse foes. With naked breast she goes into that fight, the most hopeless and cruelest of battles, to screen a husband from the world's well merited scorn. So she lives married, but the saddest of widows, till one day the clods oft 1e valley are sweet to her, and the same bells that rung joyfully at the half marriage, thought to be a whole one, now toll at the only real wedlock she has known, the union of her body to the grave and her soul to God. But the husband knows not the cruel suffering he has caused, whereby he slowly murdered her, nor cares that his sons and daughters are walking monuments of that same horrid death which yet the earth relucts from, and will not hide within her breast.

EXTINCT.

There are no longer any boys and girls. The race, like that of the Aztecs, is extinct. Fashion's ruthless hand has swept from existence those charming little people who, in times past, cheered and brightened, and made glad and happy, this somber, prosy, money seeking world. The bewitching innocence of olden time childhood is but a memory now, a grandfather's tale mournfully told to the jaded votaries of fashion, the deluded worshipers of tinsel, in this era of gaud and glitter. "Esthetic culture" and "higher education," for which our longing souls so wearily panted, have banished from our homes, the gentle manners and simple habits of our ancestors, and the beguiling socceress Fashion now dazzles us with the splendor of her enchantments. Our children, under her malign influence, are born men and women; there are no boys and girls.

No merry, childish laughter, no romping, clattering little feet, no noisy, gleeful shout, no wild, resounding halloo disturb the grim silence of fashion's awed and hushed halls and chambers, whose walls echo only to the solemn foot-falls, and tuneless, voiceless whispers of those timid little creatures forced to be old before their time. "Culture" and "higher education," with heartless fashions aid, have accomplished their fell purpose, driven from our hearthstones the ruddy faces, the loving glances the tender embraces, the sweet simplicity, the frank, fearless, heartiness of childhood; having stolen away the boys and girls, and filled their places with these pale, pert, sickly, showy puppets. There are no boys and girls.

ABOUT MAD-STONES.

What tiny odd things "mad-stones" are! Jersey county owns two of them; one is described as a fossil coral, concave on one side and convex on the other, slightly porous and of grayish color. It is only half the original size, and it is said that being once applied to the bite of a mad dog it drew so hard that it broke in two. Even medical testimony makes it very hard to look upon the "mad-stones" as other than hyperbolical, and yet instances in which great results have been affected by its use are numerous. The other gifted stone is about half an inch square and an inch and a half long; it looks like a piece of black slate with a high polish. After it has been used it is put into hot, weak lye made of wood ashes, with a view of extracting the poisonous venom it has imbibed, and for several minutes it will give up bubbles of air or gas that rise to the top of the fluid. When it ceases to bubble it is taken out and wiped dry with warm ashes, when it is ready for use again.

Muffs, fans, and false hair were brought to England from France in 1572.

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THE NEWS.

Gleanings in New England.

Result of Carelessness.

Christine Vedell, a Swede girl in George L. Westgate's family at Middletown, Ct., was suffocated to death by escaping gas on a recent night. It is supposed that she turned off the gas and then turned it half on again by accident.

New Counterfeit.

Five dollar counterfeit notes, purporting to be the issue of the Boylston national bank of Boston, Mass., are in circulation. The face of the note is well calculated to deceive, as the pink seal and figures are excellent imitations of the genuine, but a cursory glance at the green border and ends on the back of the note, which have been engraved and printed in such a crude manner, at once attracts attention, and determines the fraudulent character of the note.

Sister's Devotion.

Miss Annie Engerbreddon, a Norwegian lady, well known by visitors at the Isle of Shoals, Me., where she resided, died there recently of brain fever. Her sister, who was constantly watching at her bedside, and to whom deceased was devotedly attached, has become insane, and was a short time after taken to an asylum.

Temperance People Aroused.

The St. Albans, Vt., temperance league are pushing liquor dealers hard. The manager of the St. Albans house is fined $40 and costs on two second offenses, and Mrs. L. B. Smith pleads guilty and promises to quit.

It was decreed in the case of the Quidneck company against Z. Chafee and others, in the supreme court at Providence, R. I., that the complainants should pursue their remedy in equity rather than at law, and suits at law were ordered discontinued.

A "Village improvement society" has been formed in Rutland, Vt., for the purpose of setting out shade trees. Members pay $1 per year, and can make as many "subscriptions" of $1 as they desire. An executive committee will have the management and say where the trees will be set.

The coroner's jury in the case of Maggie Hill, who died at Greenland, N. H., under suspicious circumstances, decided the other day that her death was caused by inflammation of the bowels, hastened by intemperate habits.

Sarah Middleton is arrested at Lowell, Mass., for burning her husband's barn at Salem. She confesses and says that they had quarreled.

Rev. Hugh Montgomery of Norwich, Ct., finds that $1,250,000 is spent for liquor each year in New Haven, not counting what is spent by people who tipple at home and do not patronize bars.

South Framingham, Mass., people fear that the emptying of Farm pond by Boston will dry up their wells. Many are already failing.

The Hopkinton, Mass., business men have commenced a vigorous war on the liquor traffic.

Wm. E. Skillings & Co. are moving their spool and bobbin machinery from Burlington, Vt., to Bethel, Me. They will have twelve spool finishing machines running by the first of April, requiring 1,500,000 feet of white birch annually to supply them.

Councilman J. P. Russell of Boston was receiving congratulations at a friend's house on his election to office, when word was brought that his wife had just been killed on the Boston and Maine railroad near Malden.

The new brick gingham mill of the Amoskeag company at Manchester, N. H., will have 44,000 spindles and 1700 looms and hire about 1000 persons.

A silo containing 100 tons of fodder was opened at Vermont recently before a lot of farmers who are enthusiastic over the way the cattle ate the ensilage.

Charles E. Powers and others will ask to be incorporated as the Boston rapid transit railroad company with $5,000,000 capital.

The family of Rev. A. P. Adams of Beverly, Mass., was seriously poisoned the other day by eating boiled cabbage supposed to have been sprinkled with Paris green. They are now doing well.

Over $20,000 has already been contributed in Boston and vicinity for the soldiers' home. The bazaar proves to be one of the most successful affairs of the kind ever held in Boston.

Trains are now running regularly from Boston to the Hudson river, via the New York and New England railroad.

The colored citizens of Boston propose to celebrate New Year's day by commemorating the emancipation of slaves in the United States.

A convict at the Massachusetts state-prison named Cavanaugh has just received $1100 pension money, which he has given to his wife.

According to a recently issued census bulletin, the well-known copper mines in Orange county, Vt., produced ore to the value of $469,000, employed 619 men, and hold real estate valued at $275,000 and machinery worth $125,000.

One Boston bank has 16 tons of gold stored in its vaults.

The missing box which was put in the corner-stone of Boston's old Latin school in 1843, has been found after a long search in an old store at Cambridgeport. It contains copies of Boston papers, old coins and interesting relics.

The Maine savings banks have $24,000,000 on deposit, an increase of $2,860,898 over last year. The national bank capital is $10,385,000 and individual deposits $9,325,686.

A Danielsonville, Ct., Catholic priest says that the children there do not attend the public schools because they are made to work in the factories, and calls on State Agent Potter to see about it.

Boston's common council voted to make the 26th a public holiday, and rejected the order to buy $600,000 worth of land for a West Roxbury park.

New Britain, Ct., is to have a soldiers' monument.

The Bridgton, Me., corn factory packed this season 35,000 cases of sweet corn, apple and pumpkin, which make (two dozen cans in a case) 840,000 cans. Of these, 72,000 cans were of pumpkins, and 48,000 cans of apple.

A new and fast-sailing steamer will be built this winter, to run next season from Augusta, Bath, Squirrel Island, Mouse Island, Capital Island, Ocean Point, Boothbay and other landings in Maine. A proposition is also on foot to build another steamer to run in connection with said steamer at Bath, and run to Fort Popham.

Limerick, Me., is to have a narrow gauge road to Waterboro.

Saltonstall Lake will probably be the new source of water supply for New Haven, Ct.

Preliminary surveys of three lines for the New York, New Haven and Hartford road's tracks in New London, Ct., have been made in anticipation of the bridging of the Thames river.

The Old and New Worlds.

Trial of a Brigand.

The trial of Esposito, the brigand extradited from the United States, has begun in the court of assize at Palermo. There are six counts in the indictment, notably one charging him with having kidnaped, imposed a ransom of 40,000 francs upon, and attempted to assassinate John Rose, an English engineer.

Irish Troubles.

A farmer named Milligan, who lately paid his rent, was waylaid and beaten to death near Shannon bridge while returning from market. There were lately extensive evictions on the property of the deceased's landlord. A farmer named Rooney has been brutally beaten at Althone. He had paid his rent. He is in a precarious condition. A large crowd stoned the carriage of Mr. Considine, on whose property there were evictions lately. Mrs. Considine was struck by one of the stones.

Terrible Fire.

The Ring theater, formerly the Comic opera house, in Vienna, where Sarah Bernhardt recently performed, took fire just before the beginning of the opera "Les Contes d' Hoffman." A lamp falling on the stage caused the fire. The house was tolerably full, and the loss of life is very great; 1000 bodies have been recovered. Many persons were injured. Sixty were saved by means of ladders and by jumping into cloths held below. The greatest efforts were made to save life. The scene was terrible, the flames shooting up through the roof, and eventually gutting the building.

Plucky Governor.

Gov. St. John of Kansas has issued a proclamation citing that there exists in the cities of Atchison, Leavenworth, Topeka, Wyandotte and Dodge City combinations of persons who are defiantly violating provisions of the law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. The governor, in his proclamation, offers rewards ranging from $100 to $500 for the arrest and conviction of any person keeping a rum shop; for the arrest and conviction of any person manufacturing intoxicating liquors within the state; for the arrest, conviction and removal from office of any sheriff, deputy sheriff, police officer or constable, district-attorney or other officer who neglects his duty in failing to enforce the laws against the sale and manufacture of intoxicating drinks, and for the arrest and conviction of any person guilty of perjury in connection with the enforcement of these laws.

Balloon Perils.

A British government balloon in charge of Capt. Templer, accompanied by Walter Powell, member of Parliament for Malmesbury, and Mr. Gardiner, ascended from Bath recently, and descended at Bridport. The balloon struck the ground heavily, and Mr. Gardiner and Capt. Templer were thrown out and injured. The balloon then rose with Mr. Powell, and was seen again to descend at sea. Nothing has since been heard of the balloon or Mr. Powell.

How It Was Done.

Cashier Baldwin confessed that he had hoodwinked the government experts who examined the Mechanics' national bank of Newark in 1880, by forging a letter from the cashier of the corresponding bank in New York. One year's examiners were sent to the bank. Their first day's work was in such a direction it did not worry the cashier, but the second day they were likely to get dangerously near to the facts which must be concealed. Baldwin had discovered that both of the examiners were fond of horses. He conducted them to the Essex club house, in Park place, and then sent for a friend who could talk horse. The friend appeared and entertained the examiners with interesting facts and opinions about trotters, and, while he talked, his new friends drank costly wines. When they returned to the bank to complete their examination, they were in a pleasant mood, and Baldwin turned in and helped them through with their work. On the following day nothing remained for them to do but to ascertain that Baldwin's statement of the bank's account with the Mechanics' bank of New York could be verified. Baldwin wrote a telegram to the New York cashier, asking for his statement. In time a telegram, giving figures substantially the same as were on Baldwin's books, was received, apparently from the New York bank. It is said that the telegram from Baldwin did not go through any telegraph office in Newark, the message being communicated over some private telegraph wire, but the response was made over a telegraph company's wire.

Huntington, P. Q., was shaken slightly by an earthquake recently.

There have been two Mussulman revolts during the last four months against the Chinese garrison at Yang-Hissar. Two hundred Chinese were massacred, and 400 rebels were beheaded.

There have been serious anti-Jewish riots at Odessa.

The Hessian fly has made sad havoc in the wheat fields of southwestern Michigan and many fields have been destroyed.

Jewish citizens of Chicago have appointed a committee to care for refugees from Russia.

The Montreal police are still in the dark as to who left the internal machine in the court-house there. The machinery has been removed, but no man has been found bold enough to open the can, which is believed by its smell to contain nitro-glycerine and dynamite.

Gov. McEnery, in his message to the Louisiana Legislature, says the state is rich. He says the valuation of the state, if properly taken, would amount to three hundred millions.

The Washington Light infantry of Charleston, S. C., declined to allow their confederate relics to be placed on exhibition in Boston or elsewhere.

It is reported that the dead-lock in the Japanese silk trade has been broken, and that $5,000,000 worth of silk is en route to western markets.

Spain has decided to release all her political prisoners.

Matters in Washington.

Guiteau's Trial

Eight doctors who have made a study of mental diseases testified as witnesses for the defense in the Guiteau trial. A hypothetical question, in which the points relating to the prisoner's mental condition as set forth by the defense, including the insanity of his family, and his alleged belief that he acted upon inspiration, were assumed to be true, was read to them, and they were asked, whether upon that state of things they thought Guiteau was insane. Seven of them replied that if the propositions were true the man was insane. Dr. Worcester of Salem, would not express an opinion, because he wanted a clearer explanation of the word inspiration than Mr. Scoville gave him. Guiteau constantly interfered in the proceedings. He began by saying that he wanted the experts to pass upon the question, whether a man claims he is impelled to do an illegal act by a power beyond him, he is sane or insane. He showed a pretty clear understanding of the testimony given, and once pointed out how well it fitted his case. As usual he was sensitive on the question of his mental powers, and was angry when a witness spoke disparagingly of his Garfield speech, declaring he would rather be hanged as a sensible man than acquitted as a fool. He was also offended by a question implying that he was a vulgar criminal. There was nothing vulgar about his case, he exclaimed; it was all high toned.

An attempt was made to have President Arthur as a witness for the defense, but as he declined to appear, the matter was not pressed.

An odd sensational story comes through reliable channels from St. Peter, Minn., to the effect that the Scovilles were cognizant of the intention of Guiteau to kill the President before the day of the tragedy, and did not take precautions which might have been taken to prevent the consummation of his plan. A person formerly employed by the Scovilles, now living in St. Peter, is authority for the statement that the Scovilles knew of the proposed assassination on Friday the 1st of July. The matter was laid before the district attorney, and it is understook that the person will be subpœnaed at once.

Mrs. Julia M. Wilson, neice of Guiteau's father and George C. Maynard, another relative, testified for the prosecution, of there being no insanity in the Guiteau family. Just before a recess was taken, John Wilson Guiteau rose to a personal explanation respecting the attempt to fasten hereditary insanity on his family. He began: "My father is dead." "Oh, sit down!" the assassin said petulantly, "you've been vindicated. You're a good fellow, if you are prejudiced against insanity. I like you well enough." Davidge rose and objected to any further interruptions by persons engaged in the case as counsel. The prisoner had interrupted—"Yes, I have," said Guiteau, breaking in. "I had as much right to take exceptions, being my own counsel, as you have." "The prisoner's brother had interrupted," said Davidge, "and if personal explanation is to follow explanation, the trial will soon become a farce." Judge Cox said he thought that John Wilson Guiteau's purpose had alread been accomplished.

The interrogatories which had been submitted to the President stated that he had seen the prisoner perhaps a dozen times, but never gave him any encouragement for political preferment. He had received a letter from the prisoner in October last (which he had not preserved) in which the prisoner requested that he would obtain for him a postponement of the trial.

Testimony was introduced by the prosecution in the Guiteau trial recently, which made the assassin furious. Mr. Shaw, a lawyer of New York, testified that Guiteau, who then had a desk room in his office, told him, in 1872, that he was bound to be notorious before he died; that if he could not get notoriety for good, he would get it for evil; that he would shoot some of our big men, and would imitate Wilkes Booth. The prisoner denounced the witness as a liar, and accused him of being prejudiced because he owed him $50 for office rent. The witness never told anybody what Guiteau said until after Garfield was assassinated, and added that he had never doubted Guiteau's sanity. Several other witnesses from New York who had known Guiteau, among them Judge Hawes of the marine court, in whose office the prisoner occupied a desk in 1874, testified that they had never seen any indications of unsoundness of mind in Guiteau. Mr. English excited the prisoner's anger by his account of the circumstances under which Guiteau procured bail for him when he was in the Ludlow street jail. The witness said, so far from doubting Guiteau's sanity, he regarded him as a man of remarkable keenness of intellect, because he completely outwitted him. Guiteau declared that the witness was lying, and denounced him in the most virulent manner. The Rev. Dr. MacArthur, at the conclusion of his examination, also said he saw no indications of unsoundness of mind in Guiteau in his intercourse with him. Dr. Caldwell, who attended the assassin's father in his last illness, said that he noticed in him no indications of unsoundness of mind. Senator Harris of Indiana testified that the prisoner asked him in Washington last spring to help him get office, but the witness told him he was already overloaded with applications from his own state. He had never questioned Guiteau's sanity. It appeared that Guiteau owed money to some of the witnesses besides the Rev. Dr. MacArthur, and as they took the stand he interrupted the proceedings by telling how much he owed them. One lawyer enraged the prisoner by saying Guiteau had collected money for some of his clients and never paid it over. In his fury the prisoner brutally treated his sister, Mrs. Scoville, who tried to restrain him.

The majority of the experts have settled the point that Guiteau is sane and legally responsible for the murder. One of them voiced the decision of the majority in these words: "His imitations are clumsy, and he shows that he knows nothing of insanity. He is pleased when evidence is given in his favor, and angry when it is against him. He has tried all the way through to prove that he is a crank, and that is what an insane man never does. There is one instance of cunning in his defense, his claim that all the important acts of his life have been 'inspirations;' but the theory fails, because all of them have been in the line of his depraved inclinations. There is one significant fact in connection with that inspiration. It is entirely indefinite. He never has told when or how God inspired him. Now, Lawrence, who shot at Jackson, and who had, by the way, no motive for revenge, claimed a direct command from God. He heard God speak to him. That is one form of hallucination, a false perception of hearing. But Guiteau has never claimed anything more than a vague 'pressure.' Again, Lawrence, who was undoubtedly insane, claiming divine authority for his act, despised the court, and actually bore himself as one superior to it. Guiteau's behavior is entirely different. He is responsible and always has been."

Mormonism to Go.

Senator Vest introduced two bills bearing upon the Mormon question. One of them provides that, whenever any marriage according to the forms, belief, or practice of any religious denomination shall be solemnized in a territory of the United States, a written certificate of such marriage, containing names and residence of the parties married, shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the supreme court of the territory. The bill also provides that the certified record of such marriage shall be admissible as evidence upon trial of any cause in any court of the United States. The provisions of the bill are not to apply to marriages between Indians in the territories. The other bill provides that no woman shall be disqualified as a witness in any trial for bigamy in the territories by reason of her marriage to the defendant in the case.

White House Troubles.

Lucy Fowler instituted suit against William T. Crump, steward at the executive mansion for $10,000 damages for slander. She was employed as a cook at the White House in July last, and alleges that she was discharged because Mr. Crump told Mrs. Garfield that she was a thief and stole meats and other things from the executive mansion. She claims that her reputation has been impaired to the extent of the damages claimed.

Presidential Succession.

The measure proposed by Senator Garland to change the succession to the presidency, in case of the death or disability of both the president and vice-president, is likely to evoke some discussion. It repeals the act of 1792, which provides that the "president of the Senate, or, if there be none, the speaker of the House" shall "act as president until the disability is removed or the president is elected," and names three members of the cabinet—the secretary of state, of the treasury or of war, in their order—to discharge the executive functions.

The United States consul at Panama, writes to the department of state that from his long experience he would recommend that all vessels from this country to that port should ship, if possible, colored crews. He says yellow fever is now an epidemic in the colony, and a great many white seamen are falling victims to it, but that colored crews do not appear to be affected.

The latest estimate of Capt. Howgate's embezzlement fixes the figures at $150,000.

Information has been received of the death of Gen. Judson Kilpatrick minister to Chili. He was 45 years old, and one of the prominent cavalry generals during the war.

Ex Secretary of the navy Thompson, who is in Washington, says DeLesseps has now the money requisite to the successful prosecution of the work on the Panama canal. The excavators begin operation as soon as the rainy season is over. All the preliminary work has been done.

The profits on the coinage of silver during the past three fiscal years have been $9,752,210, which, with the profits on hand at the mints July 1, 1878, make a total of $10,181,496.

The Senate post-office committee agreed unanimously to report favorably a bill granting Mrs. Garfield the franking privilege. This privilege has been granted to the widows of Presidents Lincoln, Tyler and Polk.

Secretary Blaine retires from his secretaryship in a few days.

Gen. Logan introduced a bill in the Senate to place Gen. Grant on the retired list of the army.

The number of bills introduced in the Senate during its four days' session last week is 350, which is nearly as many as were introduced in that body during the entire third session of the last Congress, from Dec. 3, 1880 to March 4, 1881. One senator alone introduced 33 bills.

About a year ago the Louvre, in Paris narrowly escaped being burned down, in consequence of a lamp being left too near the curtain by a member of one of the households privileged to occupy a portion of the buildings. And a few days ago at the Luxembourg palace, about a hundred of the choicest pictures were terribly damaged by water through the stupidity of a servant girl, who had left the tap turned on, causing the entire ceiling and walls of the salle to be flooded with water, and seriously injuring the pictures. It will be several months before the room and its contents will be re-opened to the public.

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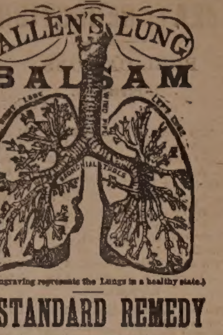

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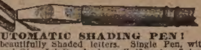

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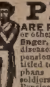

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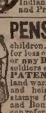

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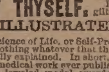

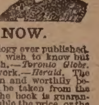

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